

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Philip W. Wyers  
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Title: ***LOCKING DEVICE***

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Examiner: Christopher J. Boswell

Action: ***REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION***  
Date: January 5, 2009

TO: Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

The present Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2007 in reference to the above-identified application. The Examiner set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months, making the present Amendment due by October 16, 2007. Filed concurrently herewith is a Petition for Revival of a Patent Application Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR §1.137(b).